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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : National Civil Service League Career Service
Awards Dinner on 17 May 1965

REFERENCE : Letter to DCI from Mr. Bernard L. Gladieux,
National Civil Service League, dated 5 April
1965 (Attached)

1. This memorandum transmits for your signature a letter to
Mr. Bernard L. Gladieux in reply to his letter to you in regard to the
Career Service Awards Dinner sponsored by the National Civil Service
League.

2. Mr. Gladieux, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the
National Civil Service League, has invited you to present Mr. Richard
Helms for the Career Service Award and also to serve as a sponsor
for the Awards Dinner to be held on 17 May 1965.

3. The proposed reply expresses your regrets and advises
Mr. Gladieux that the invitation to participate in the awards presenta-
tion ceremonies has been extended to Admiral Raborn. It is
recommended that you sign the attached letter to Mr. Gladieux.

Bennett D. Echols
Director of Personnel

Attachments: A/S

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Mr. Bernard L. Gladieux, Chairman
Board of Directors
National Civil Service League
315 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y. 10016

Dear Mr. Gladieux:

I am delighted to get the good news that Richard Helms has been selected to receive one of the ten 1965 Career Service Awards of the National Civil Service League. The members of this Agency are very proud to have another of our officers selected for this honor.

The President has officially announced my plans for leaving active federal service and his selection of Vice Admiral William J. Raborn, Jr. to serve as Director of Central Intelligence. Much as I would like to attend the Awards Dinner and participate in the presentation ceremonies, I think it would be more appropriate to extend your invitation to Admiral Raborn and I have taken the liberty of doing so.

Mr. Paul Chretien, a Special Assistant to the Director, and Mr. Emmett D. Echols, Director of Personnel will contact Mr. Courtier in reference to the publicity and other arrangements for the dinner.

/s/ Emmett D. Echols

Sincerely,

Originator:

Director of Personnel

Signed

Concur:

Deputy Director for Support

John A. McCone

Director

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April 5, 1965

The Honorable John A. McCone
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. McCone:

It is a pleasure to advise you that Mr. Richard McGarrah Helms, Deputy Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, has been selected by the National Civil Service League to receive its 1965 Career Service Award. We will wait a few days before formally notifying Mr. Helms in the event you would like personally to inform him of this award for which you originally nominated him.

Mr. Helms will be honored at a banquet to be held on the evening of May 19, 1965, at the Sheraton-Park Hotel. It is earnestly hoped that you will join officers of the League in bestowing this coveted award. By long tradition, Cabinet level officers have personally presented their candidates for this honor. I, therefore, cordially invite you on behalf of the Board of Directors to join us as a head table guest for this purpose. Your presence will represent not only a personal tribute to Mr. Helms but will also demonstrate your general support of standards of excellence in the public service.

Since the Career Service Award is designed to enhance the prestige of the public service by recognizing outstanding performance, it is most important that this event continue to be strongly supported, broadly attended and widely publicized. Our goals are to honor the Awardee, to make our citizens more acutely aware of the quality of government service, and to encourage the ablest people in our society to develop careers in government. We need and respectfully request your assistance in this effort.

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* Will you, therefore, lend the prestige of your name by agreeing to serve as a sponsor of the Awards Dinner on May 19th and to participate in the presentation ceremonies? We further request in this context that you designate ranking members of your information and personnel staffs to work with Jean Couturier, Executive Director of the League, in publicity and other arrangements. Please ask your designees to communicate with Mr. Couturier at our Washington office (DUpont 7-1725), who will then invite them to a planning meeting.

The League is proud and pleased that a career member of your staff has earned the Career Service Award and anticipates with pleasure your joining with us on May 19th.

Sincerely,

Bernard L. Gladieux

Bernard L. Gladieux
Chairman, Board of Directors

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